Canadian Perfin Regulations In response to an enquiry made to the Canadian Post Office regarding the

perforating of Canadian stamps with the Society's perforator, I received the following,

"Canadian postage stamps or postcards may be perforated with distinctive marks (initials or other) of the individual or firm using them provided that:

- (a) the designs emp loyed are for the purpose of identification and not for advertising.
- (b) the perforation must not exceed one thirty-second of an inch in diameter.
- (c) the whole space occupied by the identifying device must not exceed one half inch square.
- (d) the perforating must not be done in such a manner as to prevent the stamp being easily recognised as genuine and unused.
- (e) the use of ink or other colouring matter in connection with the perforating is prohibited.

Since the design which you submitted exceeds the space mentioned in "c" above permission cannot be granted to your society to use it for perforating Canadian postage stamps. We will gladly entertain your request if you submit a design which will occupy a space not exceeding one half inch square."

Yours sincerely

J. O'Shaughnessy

Chief Postage Supplies Division.

Your file Votre référence

.Confederation Heights OTTAWA, Ontario K1A OB2 25 July 1975

Our file 1 Notre référence

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Mr. Brian Birch 24 Calder Drive Maghull LIVERPOOL, England L31 9DS

Dear Mr. Birch:

Your letter of 4 July 1975 addressed to the Postmaster General, enquiring about the Canadian Postal Regulations with respect to the perforation of unused postage stamps has been referred to us for attention.

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Your sample stamp is herewith returned.

Yours sincerely

J. O'Shaughnessy

Chief

Postage Supplies Division

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